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510(k) SUMMARY
ARTHROCARE CORPORATION
MultiFIX™ P KNOTLESS FIXATION DEVICE

This summary of 510(k) safety and effectiveness information is being submitted in accordance with the requirements of SMDA 1990 and 21 CFR 807.92.

General Information

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Device Name

Proprietary: MultiFIX™ P Knotless Fixation Device
Common: Bone Anchor, Fastener, Fixation, Soft Tissue
Classification: Class II
Product Code: MBI
CFR Section: 21 CFR 888.3040

Predicate Device

ArthroCare LabraLock® P Knotless Fixation Device: K061349 (cleared July 14, 2006)

Description

The MultiFIX P Knotless Fixation Device (MultiFIX P) is a bone anchor with inserter handle designed for use in arthroscopic and orthopedic procedures. The MultiFIX P is a knotless fixation device, meaning that manually tying surgical knots is not necessary for the fixation of suture to tissue.

The MultiFIX P consists of two primary parts: a PEEK bone anchor and an anchor inserter, which is preloaded with the anchor. The anchor inserter is a disposable tool.

The entire product is packaged in a tray with a Tyvek® lid, and the finished product is sterilized by irradiation. Both the anchor and inserter are designed for single use only.

The MultiFIX P Knotless Fixation System consists of the 4.5 mm MultiFIX P and associated instruments for implanting the bone anchor. In accordance with the ArthroCare Product Development Process, testing was performed to demonstrate the proposed device is substantially equivalent to the predicate device. Mechanical testing was performed in accordance with the requirements of the FDA Guidance Document, *Testing Bone Anchor Devices*, April 1996. Results indicated substantial equivalence for the proposed device.

Intended Use/Indications For Use

The MultiFIX P Knotless Fixation Device is indicated for use in fixation of soft tissue to bone. Examples of such procedures include:

- **Shoulder:** Bankart Repair, SLAP lesion repair, acromio-clavicular separation, rotator cuff repair, capsule shift/capsule-labral reconstruction, biceps tenodesis and deltoid repair.
- **Ankle:** Lateral instability, medial instability, Achilles tendon repair/reconstruction and midfoot reconstruction.
- **Foot:** Hallux valgus reconstruction.
- **Elbow:** Tennis elbow repair, biceps tendon attachment.
- **Knee:** Extra-capsular repairs; reattachment of medial collateral ligament, posterior oblique ligament or joint capsule closure to anterior proximal tibia; extra capsular reconstruction, ITB tenodesis; patellar ligament and tendon avulsions.

Non-Clinical Data

Side by side bench testing was performed on both the proposed and predicate device in accordance with the FDA Guidance Document, *Testing Bone Anchors*, April 1996. This *in vitro* testing involved insertion of the anchors in a simulated human bone substrate followed by both static and cyclic fatigue testing.

The test results demonstrate that the MultiFIX P meets all design, performance, and safety specifications. Based on the test results, the proposed device is substantially equivalent to the predicate device

Clinical Data

No clinical or animal data are included in this submission.

Summary

All testing demonstrates that the MultiFIX P performs as intended and has acceptable mechanical properties when used in accordance with its labeling.

As the device's intended use and technological characteristics are comparable to the predicate device, we believe that the MultiFIX P is substantially equivalent to the predicate LabraLock P Knotless Fixation Device. The minor differences between the MultiFIX P and the predicate device do not raise any new questions of safety or effectiveness. In addition, the materials are well characterized and have been used in other legally marketed devices with similar indications for use.



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Re: K120096

Trade/Device Name: MultiFIX™ P Knotless Fixation Device
Regulation Number: 21 CFR 888.3040
Regulation Name: Smooth or threaded metallic bone fixation fastener
Regulatory Class: Class II
Product Code: MBI
Dated: January 11, 2012
Received: January 12, 2012

Dear Ms. Frederick:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) premarket notification of intent to market the device referenced above and have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to legally marketed predicate devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments, or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) that do not require approval of a premarket approval application (PMA). You may, therefore, market the device, subject to the general controls provisions of the Act. The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practice, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration. Please note: CDRH does not evaluate information related to contract liability warranties. We remind you, however, that device labeling must be truthful and not misleading.

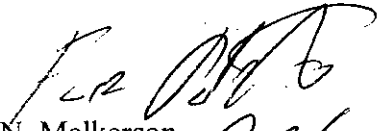
If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (PMA), it may be subject to additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 21, Parts 800 to 898. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register.

Please be advised that FDA's issuance of a substantial equivalence determination does not mean that FDA has made a determination that your device complies with other requirements of the Act or any Federal statutes and regulations administered by other Federal agencies. You must comply with all the Act's requirements, including, but not limited to: registration and listing (21 CFR Part 807); labeling (21 CFR Part 801); medical device reporting (reporting of medical device-related adverse events) (21 CFR 803); good manufacturing practice requirements as set forth in the quality systems (QS) regulation (21 CFR Part 820); and if applicable, the electronic product radiation control provisions (Sections 531-542 of the Act); 21 CFR 1000-1050.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801), please go to <http://www.fda.gov/AboutFDA/CentersOffices/CDRH/CDRHOffices/ucm115809.htm> for the Center for Devices and Radiological Health's (CDRH's) Office of Compliance. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21CFR Part 807.97). For questions regarding the reporting of adverse events under the MDR regulation (21 CFR Part 803), please go to <http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/Safety/ReportaProblem/default.htm> for the CDRH's Office of Surveillance and Biometrics/Division of Postmarket Surveillance.

You may obtain other general information on your responsibilities under the Act from the Division of Small Manufacturers, International and Consumer Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or (301) 796-7100 or at its Internet address <http://www.fda.gov/MedicalDevices/ResourcesforYou/Industry/default.htm>.

Sincerely yours,


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Radiological Health

Enclosure

INDICATIONS FOR USE STATEMENT

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Prescription Use
(Part 21 CFR 801 Subpart D)

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AND/OR

Over-The-Counter Use
(21 CFR 801 Subpart C)

 NO

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)


(Division Sign-Off)

Division of Surgical, Orthopedic,
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